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Illustrious Noble Charles T. Cahill Completes Successful Year as Potentate

Thanks Officers and Nobles for Their Co-operation

TIME hastens on. It seems but yesterday that I proudly accepted the great honor that had been conferred upon me in choosing me to be Potentate in 1938. Soon we will be writing '39 and I am forced to the realization that before another issue of the News reaches you I will have been called to give account of my stewardship and become the Junior Past Potentate of Aleppo.

We are a going concern. Holding and increasing the enthusiasm of our present membership, securing new and desirable members, and the return of Nobles who in the coming of financial stress have demitted, are objectives to which we must continue to devote our attention.

Believing that the best method of accomplishing these ends is to provide the type of entertainment desired by the members, and the high type of fellowship which members of Aleppo have always enjoyed, our efforts have been directed to satisfy these ends.

It is a matter of deep satisfaction to note that members have stayed until the last act of our ceremonials. I am led to believe that we have found the type of entertainment most enjoyed by the members.

The work of Aleppo Temple could not have been accomplished without the whole-hearted co-operation of the members of the Divan and its various officers in the wide range of committee work which is required. I feel that I have received from all a full measure of loyal support.

It is utterly impossible to name the great number of members who have so loyally contributed of their time and energy, but I cannot refrain from mentioning the work of the officers of the Shrine, Past Potentate and Recorder Walter W. Morrison and Assistant Recorder Harvey B. Leggee, in their constant and courteous contact with members of the Shrine; and especially to Noble Frank Morrill, who has been my personal representative, and who without compensation and purely for the interest he feels in the welfare of the Shrine, has discharged those many

duties which otherwise the Potentate would have to take upon himself, and who has but recently as chairman of the committee engineered the wonderful entertainment on Stag Night, one of the most largely attended and enjoyable Shrine events of the year.



ILLUSTRIOS POTENTATE
CHARLES T. CAHILL

Past Potentate Roy Faye who has so ably conducted the working of the degree staff, in addition to undertaking the conduct of the Potentate's Ball and the Barn Dance; Walter Smith, under whose leadership the band has so admirably performed the various duties to which it was called; Past Potentate George A. Shackford and Noble Albert Yarrott, under whose supervision the feeding of over 4000 hungry men at each ceremonial has been accomplished without hitch or complaint; Lionel Palmer, to whose effort has been largely attributed the success of the Shrine luncheons in the past year; and to the Patrol, whose efforts and self-sacrificing atten-

tion to drills resulted in contributing to the ceremonials their most colorful feature. The Ritualistic Degree Team, under the direction of Noble Wilfred Mills, and in a new fitting oriental setting have exemplified the degree work in a manner that is attracting constantly increasing attention. To my friend and adviser, Past Potentate Clarence J. McKenzie, my thanks are everlastingly due for the kindly counsel he has given with the welfare of Aleppo Temple in mind.

Finally, to all who in various capacities have added to the entertainment of the ceremonials and to furthering the interests of Aleppo Temple and Shrinedom in general, words but feebly express the gratitude I shall always feel.

Now in accordance with the inexorable law of change, as the bells of Time "ring out the old, ring in the new," may I extend to every member of Aleppo Temple my most sincere wishes for happy and prosperous years to come.

"Es Selamu Aleikum,"

CHAS. T. CAHILL,
Potentate.



THE CLASS OF 1895

WE had an occasion to check back on the records of Aleppo Temple the other day and one signature appeared before us that aroused our curiosity. It was the signature of our Past Potentate and Recorder Walter W. Morrison.

The records showed that the class of September 30, 1895 contained 95 candidates. This ceremonial was held following the triennial conclave of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templars of the United States and also the Imperial Council session which was held at Nantasket Beach that year. The late Benjamin W. Rowell was our Recorder at that time and was elected by the Imperial Council to the office of Imperial Recorder, both offices he held until his death in 1927.

In checking further we found that seven Nobles of Aleppo Temple who joined with that memorable class in 1895 are still living and are Life Members of Aleppo. They are: Nobles Edward M. Heustis, John Howland Holt, Walter W. Morrison, John Ogden, Louis A. Radell, Willis C. Underwood and William H. Willis.

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I AM A SHRINER

By NOBLE C. J. HEMMIG

I HAVE knelt at the altar of Freemasonry and made my confession. I have studied Masonic history and Masonic Discipline, Doctrine and Deportment. I have subscribed to the tenets of a fraternity whose founding and existence have spanned several millenniums.

I am a member of an Order which showers its best efforts on unfortunate children no matter what their color, race or creed; a secret organization whose work can be seen and understood by any person no matter what his religion.

I believe in the integrity of the Shrine's purpose and the sincerity of its efforts. I am proud to wear the scimitar and crescent which proclaim me as a Shriner and the honor that it bears. May I always dignify the emblem so none whom I may meet shall brand my Order as a cheat. May I play the man at all times and keep my conduct proper. May I be worthy of the Fez which I place upon my head, so that I may teach the world it's something to be a Shriner.

I deem it a distinct honor and privilege to be permitted to wear the Red Fez which signalizes to all people that I am attending a Shrine festivity.

The Shrine symbols stimulate me to be honest with myself and with the world; encourage me to be big in mind and heart; sociable, charitable, affable and urbane. These symbols encourage me to seek to be at peace with myself and my fellow human beings; to respect all women and to be friendly and helpful to all children.

I gladly pay my dues so that I may help to maintain my Temple and contribute to the maintenance of the Greatest Philanthropy in the World, the Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children.

I seek to assist in the work of my Temple and I place whatever ability I may have at its disposal. I AM A SHRINER!

Dedicated to Rajah Temple in appreciation of the friendship its members have brought to me.

NOBLE CHAS. J. HEMMIG

A LETTER FROM A PATIENT IN OUR SHRINE HOSPITAL

Shrine Hospital,
Springfield, Massachusetts.
December 3, 1938.

Mr. Frank W. Morrill,
97 Huntington Avenue,
Boston, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Morrill:

I am sorry I haven't written to you before. I've had my operation for quite awhile and Dr. Hatt said I'd be home for Christmas.

I am still continuing my piano practicing up here. It's wonderful up here. I don't mind it one bit. My nurse, Miss Burgess, is the most considerate and wonderful nurse I have ever known. I am writing this letter during rest hour.

My father was going to take me in to see you a couple of times only something always stopped him. Everybody has been wonderful to me since I have been up here.

Thank you ever so much for your lovely letter. The letter was at my home when my mother and father returned after leaving me at the hospital.

Good bye until I see you when I am all better.

Sincerely yours,

"NORMA PATERSON."

THE FRIENDSHIP OF THE SHRINE

JUST the other night a slender, sharp-chinned man stood up at a dinner table and told us why he had kept his membership in the Shrine for thirty-six years. He said it was because of the friendships he had made. The merry twinkle of his steel gray eyes indicated he meant it. He believed in the Shrine because it had taught him to commune with his fellow men. To see the bigness in one's friend's and to forget their frailties is one of the impressive lessons taught us in this beloved Order of ours. You and I who have caught its inspiration stay in it because of the friendships we have made.



FRED E. BOLTON CLUB HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING

THE annual meeting of the Fred E. Bolton Club was held at the Engineers Club, Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, on Tuesday, December 6, 1938, with fifteen members in attendance.

This organization, which was formed in 1935 by a group of the late Past Potentate Fred E. Bolton's friends, has a membership of twenty-two. Every year on the anniversary of his birth date, December 6, an annual meeting has been held in his honor. Since his death this year the organization voted to hold a memorial meeting each year until the last member survives.

During 1938 the club lost three members, Past Potentate Fred E. Bolton, in whose name the club was formed and Nobles Malcolm E. Sturtevant and Samuel A. Vanner.

The officers of the club are Nobles William Spottiswoode, President; Henry D. Cormerais, Secretary and Theodore O. Nicholson, Treasurer.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM YOUR OFFICERS

May the Giver of Gifts give unto you
That which is good and that which is
true;
The will to help and the courage to do:
A heart that can sing the whole day
through
Whether the sky be gray or blue,
Is the sincere wish of your officers to
you.



WHY NOT?

WHY not budget your Shrine dues
as you would any other item? Or
as some of our Shriners do—take out a
Christmas Club to pay them?

You and your family need the Shrine
and the Shrine Hospital needs your con-
tribution. A mere 3 1/3 cents a day, 25
cents a week, \$1 a month, means \$12
ready to pay your dues when they are
due.

It amounts to less than your two daily
newspapers; probably less than the
amount you spend at the movies each
week; no doubt if this amount were
taken from your tobacco budget, it
wouldn't even be missed. Think it over,
Noble! Then you can enjoy ALL the
meetings.

Membership in the Mystic Shrine is
one of your most valued possessions. It
is yours to be protected and treasured
throughout life with pride as an honor-
able attainment.



BASEBALL MANAGER HONORED

NOBLE William B. McKechnie of
Syria Temple, Pittsburgh, Pennsyl-
vania, who is well known among the
baseball fans of Boston, was honored at
the last meeting of the Supreme Council
when they elected him to receive the
thirty-third degree.

Noble McKechnie will receive the de-
gree next September in the Masonic Tem-
ple in Boston when the Supreme Council
will meet for their annual session in this
city.

He made many close friends while in
Boston managing the Boston National
League Baseball Club, among them, the
ever popular Noble Lawson W. Oakes,
who is also a thirty-third. Noble Law-
son thinks Bill is the greatest strategist
in baseball today and feels sure the Cin-
cinnati Reds will finish on top next year
with his friend Bill at the helm.



ANOTHER STATION FOR TIN FOIL COLLECTION

NOBLE P. A. Pickering of Lawrence
writes the following:

"I shall be glad to offer the use of our
store at 107 Cross Street, Lawrence,
Massachusetts, for receiving tin foil for
the benefit of the Shriners' Hospital for
Crippled Children."

We now have several collection sta-
tions in different cities where those in-
terested in collecting tin foil for the
hospital may leave it to be forwarded
to headquarters. If you have a store
or other convenient location where the
foil may be left drop us a line and we
will be glad to announce the same in a
future issue of the NEWS.

ANNUAL MEETING AND VAUDEVILLE SHOW



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OUR MEMBERS SHOULD SEE AND HEAR THIS CEREMONY

5:00 to 7:00 P.M.—Buffet Dinner

6:15 P.M.—Concert by Band and Aleppo Temple Choir

6:45 P.M.—Business Meeting and Annual Election

FOLLOWING THE BUSINESS MEETING THERE WILL BE AN EVENING'S ENTERTAINMENT OF HIGH CLASS VAUDEVILLE UNDER THE DIRECTION OF NOBLE "CHARLIE" PIKE.

Your 1939 Shrine Card IS NECESSARY for Admittance.

SEND YOUR CHECK FOR IT NOW!

Attest:

Walter W. Morrison
Recorder
Telephone KENmore 0678

Garrison T. Talbot
Illustrious Potentate

IMPORTANT NOTICE — Section 206 of Article 24 of the Code of the Imperial Council: The printing, circulation or distribution of resolutions, letters, tickets or other devices, by a Noble, or Nobles, suggesting, recommending, opposing or containing the names of proposed candidates for office in the Temple, is hereby prohibited. For any violation of this section the Imperial Potentate shall suspend the offending Noble, or Nobles, until the next regular session of the Imperial Council, and he may, in his judgment declare the election of such officer or officers void and order a new election.

The Recorders of Temples shall mail a notice of the annual session and election to all members of the Temples at least one week prior to date of said election, and said notice shall contain this section.

NOBLES IN FLORIDA

"Dear Sir and Noble:

"Although I miss the Shrine meetings I am most pleased to receive the ALEPPO NEWS. This is the sixth season in good old St. Pete, and have met many fine new friends at the local Temple. I have just returned from a four weeks' trip to Texas and Mexico and was surprised at the number of Nobles we met en route. One would almost believe there was a convention on, especially in Houston, Texas.

"Please give my regards to Walter Morrison, my neighbor of boyhood days, he in Lewiston and myself in Sabattus, Maine.

"Merry Christmas to you all,

"Sincerely,

"NOBLE JAMES SHAW,
"108 All States Camp,
"St. Petersburg,
"Florida."

"P.S. If there are any Nobles coming down here that I can help please send them along—especially strangers."

J. S.

"Mr. Harvey B. Leggee, Editor,
"97 Huntington Ave.,
"Boston, Mass.

"Dear Noble Leggee:

"Thanks very much for sending me the ALEPPO MONTHLY News to my St. Petersburg home. I assure you that I enjoy reading every article in your monthly News. I noticed in this monthly News that there are several Nobles from Aleppo in St. Petersburg and hope to meet them at the Shrine Club on Saturday night dinner parties. Am also pleased to notice in the honor roll news my good friends Nobles John C. Graham and Harry Stein from my city of Salem. I congratulate them for bringing in new members. I wish them good luck.

"Am wishing you and all the Nobles of Aleppo Temple

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

"Fraternally yours,

"MORRIS I. NEWMARK,
"225 21st Avenue, N. E.,
"St. Petersburg, Florida."

Noble Charles J. Tower of Hudson sent in a check for his 1939 dues and asked to have the membership card sent to 1033 Grove Street North, St. Petersburg, Florida, where he will be until May 1, 1939.

Other Nobles who have hit the trail for the Sunny South are:

Ernest H. Howe of E. Lynn, and Henry T. G. Dyson, of Hudson, to Ponce de Leon Hotel, St. Petersburg;

Josiah B. Shurtleff of Revere, to 250-11th Avenue, N. E., St. Petersburg;

Burton W. Prince of Ashburnham, to 1029 Watson Street, Orlando;

Howard A. Gilson of Winthrop, to 1617 Oak Street, N. E., St. Petersburg;

Roland D. A. Thompson of Auburndale, to Boca Clega Inn, Gulfport, Florida;

Charles H. Smallhoff of Hyannis, to 457 5th Avenue, N., St. Petersburg; and C. George W. Bagge of E. Wolfboro, N. H., to 7820 N. W. Fourth Avenue, Miami, Florida.

Noble Hargreaves Heap of Atlantic asks to have his membership card sent to him at Southern Pines, North Carolina.

Nobles, we hope you have a pleasant winter in the South.

SOME BUDGET!

ONE of our Past Potentates donates the following article which we know is not a resume of his own budget:

How to Live on \$15.00 Per Week	
Beer	\$5.00
Wife's beer	1.00
Meats, Fish and Groceries	Credit
Rent	Pay next week
Carfares to work	1.00
Midweek beer	1.50
Coal and oil	Borrow neighbor's
Burial Club for wife	.50
Dog food	.50
Electricity	Move near arc light
Nigger Pool	1.00
More beer	2.50
Snuff	.50
Holiday Club	.50
Week-end beer	2.00
Total	\$16.00

This means going into debt, so cut out wife's beer.



SEND FOR YOUR 1939 SHRINE CARD NOW

NOBLE, look in your card case right now and see if you have your 1939 Shrine Membership card. It is green in color and cannot be mistaken for any other year card as it has the year 1939 in large letters stamped on the face.

We ask you to do this NOW as this little card is the only passport the guards will recognize when you seek admittance to the Temple the evening of the big event, January 20, 1939. If you do not have it, send a check at once to the Recorder. Don't wait until the day of the meeting and have to stand in a long line. Do it now.

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By NOBLE J. ARTHUR MCCOY,
Associate Editor

THE Aleppo Stag Party, of December 14, brought out an attendance of nine thousand to see Noble Paul Bowser's wrestling and boxing bouts, the greatest number to attend any Aleppo event for many moons. Noble Frank Morrill was general chairman of the program. Major Vaughan, and others, were outspoken in their praise for the excellent manner in which the crowds were handled under the direction of Noble Walter Benson. Walter's staff comprised Nobles Cox, Gunnarson, Harvey, Jacobson, Legro, Roberts, Samuel, Shackford, C. Taylor, and Weatherbee.

Noble George Weeks, of the first platoon, has been appointed Grand Principal Sojourner in the Grand Chapter. "Congratulations, George." On the way towards the chair in his fourth Masonic Body and an officer this year in two Grand Bodies, George must be our most active Masonic member right now.

ALEPO News sends greetings and best wishes to Noble William Stokes, ill for several weeks, and missed by the members. Noble Stokes is Superintendent of Public Buildings in Waltham.

Noble Tom Malcolm, of the fourth platoon, reports a successful hunting trip in Maine the last week of November. He brought home a 185 pound buck deer with nine points, which he claims to have shot in Masardis, Maine.

Wedding bells rang out closely after Christmas bells at the home of Sergt. Al Thorley. The announcements say that Miss Ruth Thorley was married December 28 to Sherwood Keith LaCount, of Somerville. Congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. LaCount.

It is my duty to record the passing of Noble Morris Wolf, of the Altar Platoon, at his residence, 42 Park Vale Avenue, on November 30. Masonic services were held by Everett C. Benton Lodge, at Temple Ohabei Shalom, Brookline, December 4. Noble Wolf was formerly a Boston Police Inspector and for many years has conducted the Wolf Detective Bureau. He will be missed by a host of friends in fraternal, civic, and government circles.

Thumbnail sketch of the month: Lieut. Leslie Dixon, of the third platoon, hails from the Pine Tree State, but he emigrated from Calais to Waltham, Mass., soon after graduating from high school. He has always been in the automobile business and for the past few years has been a salesman for the J. H. Motor Sales Co., of Needham. If given half a chance he'll sell you a Chrysler or Plymouth car. Leslie is intensely interested in Masonry, and he has served conspicuously as Master of Isaac Rich Lodge, as High Priest of Waltham Chapter, and as Commander of Sir Galahad Commandery. He joined Aleppo Temple in 1912 and the Patrol in 1919. His ingenuity in preparing the

electric illuminations for uniforms has made the fine movements of his platoon more spectacular and has resulted in numerous invitations for exhibition drills from outside organizations. Leslie and Mrs. Dixon live at 67 Adams Street, Waltham.

In Memoriam
Noble Morris Wolf
1860-1938
Member of the Aleppo Patrol
since 1924



NOTES OF NOBLES

NOBLE Jesse Newcomb of Somerville who is a life member of Aleppo sends Christmas Greetings and says that he has been a Shriner for over forty-six years. He also advises us that both he and Mrs. Newcomb are over eighty years of age and both in the best of health. They were married fifty-seven years ago next January 17.

Noble John F. Freese of 575 Cambridge Street, Allston, is confined to his residence after a recent automobile accident.

Noble Freese, who joined Aleppo in 1907, is eighty-six years of age. He would appreciate a phone call or a few words of cheer from any Shriner.

Noble Ken Damon, a member of the Degree Staff of Aleppo, sends us a postal card from St. Petersburg, Florida, showing a picture of "The Fountain of Youth."

Noble Ken tells us that he has been a steady customer at the fountain for a couple of weeks. We expect to see him doing some pretty high steps during the floor work at our coming ceremonials.

Noble Walter A. Knight of Plymouth, writes requesting us to send his 1939 Shrine card and future issues of the ALEPO News to him at 2502 Beach Blvd., Gulfport, St. Petersburg, Florida.

Noble Harry Demeter, Manager of the Hotel Minerva, 214 Huntington Avenue, Boston, offers his hotel as a collecting place for tin foil.

Noble Harry R. Corbett of Lynn brought in four boxes of tin foil the other day, containing about 400 pounds of foil. He advises that most of it was collected by Noble Frank B. Reynolds and a Mrs. Mary Wham, both of Lynn and that Mrs. Wham spends a lot of time in flattening the foil.

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9000 ATTEND SHRINE STAG ATHLETIC NIGHT

ONE of the most interesting and entertaining activities ever staged by Aleppo Temple was witnessed by a capacity crowd of 9,000 Nobles and their friends, when they gathered at the Mechanics Building, Boston, Wednesday, December 14, to attend the Annual Athletic Stag night of the Temple.

A program of wrestling interspersed with boxing kept the crowd in their seats for nearly three hours without a pause.

"The Shadow", well known for his activities in the Boston Garden recently, defeated Roy Dunn, 1936 Olympic Team member, in the main bout, taking the first fall in 42 minutes and the second fall in nine minutes. In the semi-final Gus Sonnenberg took Pat Reilly with one of his famous flying tackles, bringing the crowd to their feet to cheer the former champion who seems to be at the height of his career and all set to win back the championship. The wrestling matches were refereed by that colorful third man in the ring, Noble Samuel O. Smith.

Preceding the evening's program, Illustrious Potentate Charles T. Cahill spoke briefly, thanking the members for turning out in such large numbers. He introduced several distinguished guests including Past Imperial Potentate Clarence M. Dunbar of Providence; Potentate E. Byron Bartlett of Bektash Temple, Concord, N. H.; Potentate Victor H. Frazier of Palestine Temple, Providence, R. I.; and Nobles Paul F. Bowser, athletic director of Aleppo; Samuel O. Smith, Asst. Athletic Director; Frank W. Morrill and Harvey B. Leggee who were in charge of the affair.

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By NOBLE CHARLES C. FEARING
Associate Editor

**"GONE ARE THE DAYS
WHEN OUR HEARTS
WERE YOUNG AND GAY"**

FOR the first time in 10, these many years, the annual Christmas frolic of the band was passed up. Just why this apathy developed is not quite clear, because we always had a rollicking good time. But at a recent meeting, after discussing the matter pro and con, (principally "con") it was voted to omit the Christmas party this year. It is a sad story mates, and inspired us to soliloquize in rhyme (but without reason).

Gone are the days when our hearts were young and gay;
Gone are the days when good fellowship held sway,
When the punch bowl on the table sent forth its pungent smell,
While the boys all gathered round and agreed that all was well.
No Christmas tree with glittering lights reared up its stately head;
The old time Yule Tide spirit was evidently dead.
Our quartermaster, Fred, has been tearing out his hair,
And walking round the band room with a rather vacant stare,
While muttering "What no party? Pray what can be the cause?
Alas, there's but one answer — There ain't no Santa Claus."

Consider the trials of this poor columnist, who had been counting on this Christmas party to furnish enough material to fill this space, and then the darned thing blew up in his face. We are almost inclined to agree with Fred, that there ain't no Santa Claus.

The last rehearsal was rather slimly attended, but what the boys lacked in numbers they made up in enthusiasm, and it turned out to be a satisfactory rehearsal after all.

These things have their compensations, however, as Noble Maxham got a chance to move up into the front row of the cornet section, where he acquitted himself nobly.

A very pleasant incident took place when our Leader presented Noble Frank Oliver with a one thousandth medal. Frank has attended one thousand rehearsals and band jobs, which is some record to shoot at, and a helluva lot of dates in any man's language.

We were sorry to learn of the loss sustained by Noble Fred Rawson, in the sudden death of his good wife. We know that we voice the sentiment of every member of the band when we extend to him our sincere and heartfelt sympathy in his hour of sorrow and bereavement.

By the time this issue reaches the Nobility we will have entered upon a new year. Let us hope it will be a happy and a prosperous one for all. It is customary at this time to make a lot

of good resolutions, even though many of them are speedily forgotten. But Nobles of Aleppo band let us make one good resolution and keep it sacred throughout the year, and that is to attend band rehearsals every Monday night, or as often as possible, renew our faith in and allegiance to the band, and cooperate in every way with our genial leader to bring back the old time pep and zeal in the work of the band.

So Happy New Year, and may you have many of them.

C. C. F.



**INSTITUTE NEW RAINBOW
ASSEMBLY**

ON Saturday, December 10, 1938, Watertown Assembly, Order of the Rainbow for Girls, was instituted in the Masonic Temple, Watertown.

A supper followed the Institution, after which the Charter Class of sixty-four daughters of Masons and Members of the Eastern Star, were initiated by the officers of Waltham Assembly, Mother Strauch officiating as Mother Advisor.

This ceremony was followed by the Installation of the Watertown Rainbow Officers, with Miss Norma Hedland of Braintree as Installing Officer, assisted by other Grand Officers of the Massachusetts Grand Assembly.

Mrs. Gobrecht, the Supreme Inspector for Rainbow, announced that nine new Rainbow Assemblies had been organized in Massachusetts during the year of 1938. She also thanked all Assemblies for contributing Christmas presents as well as contributions, that will be sent to the unfortunate crippled children at the Shriners Hospital at Springfield.



**ALL RACES—ALL CREEDS
WELCOME**

IN the Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children all creeds, all nationalities, all races are welcome under the sheltering sign of the Scimitar. No politics nor personal influence can gain special favor. Only where human suffering makes the need for immediate action imperative, is a patient taken out of the order of his or her application. The restrictions strictly adhered to, are merely that the child be under fourteen years of age, of normal mentality and one whose parents cannot afford orthopaedic treatment elsewhere.

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ALEPO BOWLING NEWS

By VAIL K. HAAK
Associate Editor

THE advent of the New Year finds two teams locked in a desperate struggle for the supremacy of the Aleppo League. At this writing John Eaton's No. 1 team, last year's "champs," lead J. C. Juthe's No. 2 team by only 1 point. Bringing up in third position is Dick Halliday's No. 5 team in a neck and neck race with Fred Pettit's No. 6 team and George Snook's No. 4 team. The last team, only four points behind third place, is Roger's No. 3 team.

No. 5 team has suffered another casualty. Last month MacGregor became critically sick and is lost to the team for the season. Now, the Captain, Dick Halliday, has had something happen to his arm, which calls for an operation, so he is through for the season. The league is sending out an S. O. S. for a couple of new bowlers to take the place of these two disabled Nobles. How about you Farelo? We have been expecting you to show up every week. Tell the wife you are in good company. Gerry Jones still leads the averages with 110.7, followed by Andy Hill with 106.5, Jim Greig 106, Harry Gordon 103, John Eaton 101. George Snook's 143 still stands as high single, and 367 by Jones still holds for the 3 string.

Three Nobles I know of had a turkey all decked out in a fez for Christmas. Nobles Greig, Dyer and Bearse won the turkeys in the Annual Christmas Jamboree. Greig had to roll off a tie with Hill, and Bearse had to roll off a tie with Pettit to win theirs, but Dyer, a newcomer to our ranks, won his thumbs down.

A wonderful spirit has been shown by the whole league this season, in fact I heard that one of our bowlers moved from Fitchburg to Belmont so that he wouldn't have to miss a Thursday night. I really would like to see Charlie Hansis, Charlie Rowell, Jim Currie, Simonton, Baker and a lot more of the Nobility out bowling with us before another year passes. How about it Noble?



LITTLE DAILY WHITE LIES

The barber: "I'll be with you in a minute."

The dentist: "You won't feel a thing."

The Announcer: "You will now hear an interesting musical program."

The young man: "I have never loved anyone as I love you."

The waiter: "Your order will be ready in a minute."

The mother in the street car: "The child is not five years old."

The weather prophet: "Tomorrow, fair and warmer."

The washing machine salesman: "My machine will save you money."

The politician: "Every promise will be fulfilled."

The motorist after accident: "I was sober . . . only had one drink."

The young girl going out for a date: "Mom, I'll be home early."

The old alibi: "It's not my fault."

SALVATION

THERE is a little message about this time every year your officers feel is necessary to deliver to some of our members. Although they are reluctant to do so, it becomes necessary for the welfare of the Temple, and to get you in the proper frame of mind to lead up to what must be said may we call your attention to the following ditty, entitled, "You Have To Pay."

A colored preacher was talking to his congregation about free salvation. Finally his sermon was finished and he said: "Now, Brother Smith, will you take up the collection?"

At this point an old darky got up and started for the door saying, "Parson, ah thought you said salvation am free—free as de water we drink."

"Well brother," replied the preacher, "Salvation is free and water is free, but when we pipes it to you, you has to pay fo' de piping."

Your Temple has certain fixed charges each year which must be paid. We have a number of 1939 cards on hand that we would like to deliver to the owner. If you do not have yours won't you help relieve the congestion by picking up yours now?



MAY BE A LESSON TO YOU

FORGETFULNESS is a human failing. It works faster than chain lightning. Everyone has seen men and women going about hunting their spectacles with these eye-lids roosting comfortably atop the owner's head. Or have you seen office people place a letter on the desk, jump up suddenly to do something else and then spend a half hour hunting for the "lost" letter.

The experience of the memory expert might help us remember. At the close of his lecture he was exasperated at the volley of questions fired at him. Finally an old lady approached to ask the expert to what he attributed his remarkable memory.

"Well, Madam," he replied, "when I was in the Air Force I once had to make a record parachute jump from a height never before attempted. Just as I jumped from the plane the pilot leaned over the side and yelled: 'Hi, you've forgotten your parachute.'

"Believe it or not, lady, that taught me a lesson, and I've never forgotten anything since."

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SOUTH SHORE NEWS

By NOBLE GEORGE A. RHODES

Associate Editor

SOUTH Shore Commandery, K. T., has its annual New Year's party in the Masonic Temple, East Weymouth, Dec. 31. This first of the year whoopee time coming Sunday has the works all gummed up. Taleb Grotto has its party in Quincy Temple the 31st.

Quincy Commandery had its annual Christmas vespers services in the Temple Sunday afternoon, December 18. Sir Knight Edward B. Whittridge brought the Wollaston Congregational church choir for the service; also the famous Granite Trust Company Bell Ringers, one of the few if only group of bell ringers connected with a bank in this country. They play several times a day in the big banking room and broadcast from the "Tower of a Thousand Candles" at night. Mr. Whittridge directs both organizations. Rev. Dr. Isaiah W. Sneath, Prelate of the Commandery, gave the Christmas message. The Commandery is to hold its annual ladies' night February 21, as the 22nd, date it is usually held on, is Ash Wednesday.

All the Blue Lodges in the 26th district have held elections and installations except in Wollaston Lodge where Noble Waldo B. Fay was elected but will not be installed until January, owing to illness. It is remarkable how few men with grey hair are in the line in any of the nine lodges. The young men are in the saddle with the approval of the older members.

Mt. Wollaston Royal Arch Chapter lost its secretary, Charles B. Hall. He died on his way to Boston the day after Thanksgiving. A charter member, and secretary since the institution. A most unusual memorial service was held as a tribute to a good man and good Mason. St. Stephen's Chapter, where Mr. Hall was exalted, attended and High Priest Herbert Hendry spoke of his work in that Chapter. The service was arranged by High Priest Fred Purchase of Mt. Wollaston. Both Chapters are having a larger attendance this year than some past year.

Noble Warren Barry and wife leave January 1 for a tour of South America. He is active in all Masonic bodies and the Scottish Rite.

The Eastern Star Chapters of the district are nearly all remembering the little folks at the Shriners Hospital in Springfield. Also the Rainbow assemblies of Quincy, Milton, Weymouth and Braintree.



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